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From the doubtless embellished ac counts in the papers it would appear that that coming out party in the White House was almost in the class

The theft of eight cents has sent a man to the penitentiary for eight years in California. The theft of eight railroads might have landed him in the United States Senate.

"No President-elect of the United States has ever made a trip to Pan-ama," says the Boston Globe. Or to Buenos Ayres or Heligoland either, for

Why is it that the man just ahead of you at the stamp window is always the one who wants \$11.50 worth of fives, \$37 worth of twos and 879—count 'em

The country consumes 7,000,000,000 pounds of sugar in a year. The bulk of which, our investigators report, is used by John Temple Graves.

"The old year is dying," sings an Indiana poet, evidently bent on making the old year good and glad of it.

In Washington, if we understand the Herald of that city aright, the streets are never cleaned unless eld Jupiter Pluvius gets to work.

## Borrowed Jingles

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This morning he was in a huff.
The coffee, though, I can't deny.
Was weak; it did seem awful stuff.
And that man drinks it strong as
At dinner, too, we served some pie
And I'd forgot to order cheese.
I merely heaved a pensive sigh,
John Henry is se hard to please.

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I'm getting tired of this, and I
Shall have to bring him to his knees.

Back to manma I think I'll fly—
John Henry is so hard to please.
—Chicago Nows

MERELY JOKING.

"Why have we stopped, captain?"
"On account of the fog, madam."
"Oh! but, my dear captain—surely not!
Look! It's perfectly clear up above."
"Aye, ma'am—but we're not goin' that way, unless the boiler busts!"—The By-stander.

"Preachers usually marry young,"
"Yes; that's the only game of chance ;
preacher is permitted to play,"-Louisvill
Courier-Journal.

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"It's funny all autos have the tobacco
hablt, !srit 11?"
"The tobacco habit?"
"Yes; I understand that the gasolene cars
smoke, while an electric won't start without
a plus."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"Il must be very nice," said the caller to the author's wife, "to have your husband at home so much of the time."

"Yes," replied Mrs. Richard Darlington Spriggles. "It gives me a chance to go out."—Harper's Weekly.

A Hair-Raising Expedient.

"That large, brunette actress alway keeps her heir down her back when she does mad scenes." "Of gourse she does. Those are her rav-ing tresses."—Baltimore American.

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E VEN the Bureau of Chemistry of the Department of Agriculture attracts the attention of that all-seeing and paternal eye.—New York Sun.

Fourteen years for Abe Ruef, Good for Friscol Now let Pittsburg have an inning.

New York World.

Italy still leads the world in the production of earthquakes.—Beston Journal.

The Taft Club is to take the place of the Dig Stick" in the South, and is expected a accomplish more through milder methods -Philadelphia Inquirer.

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1999 Record Year for Centenaries of Prominent Men.

In the year 1999 many contenaries will be celebrated. A singuarly large number of distinguished men were born in 1893. In the list of them are the names of Lincoin, Tennyson, Darwin, Gladstone, Mendelssohn and Poc. Poe was born on January 19, 1893; Mendelssohn on February 3d, Darwin and Lincoin on February 12th Tennyson on August 6th, Gladstone on December 29th. It is likely that there will be some kind of celebration on each of these dates in 1999. Arrangements have already been made for ceremonies on the Poe centennial of the Johns Hopkins University, and the selectists who meet in Baltimore this week will make some recognition of the Darwin centenary, which will also be celebrated in England. The same day the Lincoin centenary will be celebrated in many places in the University and the celebrated in many places in the University and the celebrated in many places in the University and the celebrated in many places in the University and the celebrated in many places in the University and the celebrated in many places in the University and the Same day the Lincoin centenary will be celebrated in many places in the University and the Contract of the Contract of

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